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REMARKS

Claims 23-52 are presently pending in the case. Claims 25 and 27 have been withdrawn. reconsideration of the present case is requested.

Election/Restriction Requirement

The Examiner required Applicant's election of one of the following identified species:

- I. Figure 1
- II. Figure 3
- III. Figure 6
- IV. Figure 7

In response to the requirement, Applicant provisionally elects the species shown in Figures 6A and 6B. Claims 23, 24, 26, and 28-52 read on the elected species. Claims 25 and 27 have been withdrawn from consideration until such time as there is an indication of an allowable generic claim.


Conclusion

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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